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News

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Dear Wisconsin Children's Safety Advocates:

In February, 2001, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission issued **twelve (12) recalls relating to products affecting children.** Attached is a summary of the releases identifying the product, problem and what should be done with the recalled product. If you double click on the hyperlink under the recall description it will take you to the CPSC website and the actual recall notice.

If you have other product safety questions you may call our toll free number at **(800) 422-7128** and then press **"zero" (0)** to speak with **Product Safety.** You should leave your name, your organization's name and a phone number.

Following is a listing of the twelve "KIDS" recalls by title and identification number:

- ❖ Baby Trend is repeating its 1995 recall of Home and Roam and Baby Express Portable Cribs/Play Yards. #01-094
- ❖ Dura Kleen is recalling Nightlights. #01-093
- ❖ By Us International Co. Ltd. is expanding its recall of Bicycle Forks Installed on Mountain Bicycles. #01-091
- ❖ Nike USA Inc. is recalling Jordan Trunner Shoes. #01-090
- ❖ Graco is recalling Highchairs. #01-088
- ❖ Simmons is recalling Cribs for Repair. #01-087
- ❖ IMT Accessories is recalling Barbie™ Sunglasses. #01-086
- ❖ Chick-fil-A Inc. is recalling Kid's Meal Toys. #01-081
- ❖ Supreme Toys is recalling Toy Vehicles. #01-080
- ❖ National Shooting Sports Foundation is recalling Project HomeSafe Gun Locks for Replacement. #01-078
- ❖ Pottery Barn Kids is recalling Wooden Pull Toys. #01-079
- ❖ Kolcraft is recalling Tot Rider Walkers. #01-076

We hope you find this service of value and that it assists you to:

"KEEP YOUR KIDS SAFE!"

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Release Number: 01-094 Baby Trend Inc. of Ontario, Calif., is repeating its announcement of the 1995 recall of Home and Roam and Baby Express portable cribs/play yards.

In 1995 Baby Trend offered a free repair for the cribs/play yards. To encourage consumers to search for these recalled cribs/play yards, Baby Trend is now offering a free, new play yard to consumers who find and return the recalled product.

There were 100,000 "Home and Roam" and "Baby Express" portable cribs/play yards sold between 1992 and 1994. All Home and Roam and Baby Express model cribs/play yards are recalled (recall information can be found on Baby Trend's web site at

<http://www.babytrend.com/recall2.jpg>). The words "Home and Roam" or "Baby Express" and "Baby Trend" appear along the top rails. The cribs/play yards were priced from \$60 to \$130 and were sold nationwide from 1992 to 1994. Baby Trend portable cribs/play yards sold since 1994 have different side rails and are not recalled.

In addition, CPSC obtained voluntary recalls of the following play yards with top rails that people had to turn into place when setting up the unit: Evenflo "Happy Camper, Happy Cabana, and Kiddie Camper;" Century Models 10-710 and 10-810; and Kolcraft "Playskool Travel-Lite Model." CPSC also issued a safety warning about All Our Kids Models 742 and 762 play yards imported by a firm that is out of business.

Problem: These cribs/play yards can collapse and entrap an infant. The crib/play yard can appear to be set up properly even if the top rails are not fully locked. If the crib/play yard is not set up so that each top rail is securely locked in position, a baby can be caught by the neck and strangle.

What to do: Consumers should search their homes and day care centers for these portable cribs/play yards. Stop using them immediately and call Baby Trend toll-free at (800) 328-7363 to get a free, new play yard.

- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml01/01094.html>

Release Number: 01-093 Dura Kleen (USA) Inc., of Brooklyn, N.Y., is voluntarily recalling about 459,000 nightlights. The nightlights consist of a small light fixture that uses a 5-watt bulb that plugs into a wall electrical outlet. The light bulb white bases are imprinted with "Made in China for Dura Kleen USA Inc." The night lights have different colored shades, including purple, green, yellow and red, with different designs. Other lights have opaque decorative shades molded in the form of religious figures. Discount stores nationwide sold the nightlights from March 1999 through August 2000 for about \$1.

Problem: The nightlights' electrical connections are loose, they are made from flammable plastic and the power switch does not work. The nightlights pose shock and fire hazards to consumers.

What to do: Consumers should stop using the nightlights immediately, and return them to the store where purchased for a refund. For more information, call CPSC at (800) 638-2772 anytime.

- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml01/01093.html>

Release Number: 01-091 By Us International Co. Ltd., of Taiwan, is recalling about 40,000 Ballistic front suspension forks installed on certain mountain bicycles. By Us International Co. previously announced the recall of 13,500 of these forks in May 2000. The firm has since disclosed that more of these forks are included in the recall. The recalled forks were installed on Mongoose S-20 and MGX S-20 bicycles, which are orange, and the Roadmaster Ridge Rider bicycles, which is red. The forks on these bikes are black with decals that read "BALLISTIC" and "105" on the sides of the suspension fork legs. Discount department stores, including Wal-Mart, and toy stores sold the bicycles with these forks nationwide from June 1998 through June 2000 for between \$125 and \$150.

The recalled bikes have the following serial numbers.

- 98025001 through 98030000
- 98031051 through 98033050
- BA10021201 through BA10029200
- BA10044001 through BA10049000
- BA10050001 through BA10051000
- BA10052001 through BA10053000
- BA10054001 through BA10058000
- BA10059251 through BA10067750
- BA10067791 through BA10069390
- BA10069703 through BA10077102
- BAX0001251 through BAX0006750
- BAX0006781 through BAX0007080

Problem: The forks on these bicycles can break apart, causing riders to lose control and fall.

What to do: Consumers should immediately stop using these bicycles and call the firm to determine if the fork on their bike is part of the recall. Consumers should have the serial number of the forks available. The serial number is located on the inside of the suspension fork leg.

Consumers with recalled forks will receive a free replacement fork and free installation. For more information, call (877) 211-3525 toll-free between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. CT Monday through Friday, or visit their web site at www.mongoose.com.

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<http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml01/01091.html>

Release Number: 01-090 NIKE USA Inc., Beaverton, Ore., is voluntarily recalling about 225,000 pairs of its Jordan Trunner LX and Jordan Trunner 2000 cross-training shoes. The NIKE Jordan Trunner LX and Jordan Trunner 2000 Mid shoes being recalled have a strip of metal about 4-inches long at the upper part of the back of the shoe, which is encased in plastic. These shoes are size six and higher, and have model numbers 136040 (the Jordan Trunner LX) and model number 136050 (the Jordan Trunner 2000 Mid). On the Trunner LX, the model number is located on a label on the inside tongue of the shoe, above the UPC code. On the Trunner 2000 Mid, the model number is located above the UPC code on a label inside the heel of the shoe. The Trunner LX is available in various color combinations. The Trunner LX has a Velcro strip instead of laces, and has the word "JORDAN" on a cloth strip just below the Velcro strap and also on the bottom of

the shoe. The Trunner 2000 Mid comes in two color combinations: white and black with metallic silver trim, and black and gray with fluorescent yellow trim. The name "JORDAN" appears in block letters near the shoelaces and on the bottom of the shoe, and "TRUNNER" appears on the back heel of the shoe over the metal strip. Major athletic shoe stores and department stores nationwide sold these shoes from May 2000 to February 2001 for between \$100 and \$125.

Problem: The shoes have a thin metal strip on the outside of the heel that can protrude from the shoe and form a sharp edge that can cut consumers.

What to do: Consumers should stop using these cross-training shoes and immediately return them to the store where purchased to receive a substitute product or a store credit. For more information, consumers should call NIKE at (800) 344-6453 between 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. PT Monday through Friday, or access the Nike website at www.nikebiz.com.

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<http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml01/01090.html>

Release Number: 01-088 Graco Children's Products Inc., of Elverson, Pa., is voluntarily recalling about 860,000 highchairs. The model and serial numbers of these Graco highchairs are located on a sticker beneath the seat. The model number contains "3170," "36051" or "74001" within it. The first six numbers in the serial number indicate the date of manufacture. The recalled highchairs were manufactured from January 1, 1995 through December 8, 1997 (or from 010195 through 120897). The highchairs are made of a white plastic seat with white metal legs, and "Graco" is printed on the front of the tray. Mass merchandise, juvenile products and discount department stores nationwide sold these highchairs from January 1995 through June 1998 for between \$30 and \$35. Highchairs with push pins on the legs that snap into the seat are not part of this recall.

Problem: The chair's legs can come out, causing the chair to fall to the ground. Children can suffer serious injuries from the fall.

What to do: Consumers should stop using the highchairs immediately and call Graco at (800) 617-7447 anytime to receive a free repair kit. Additional information is available at

www.gracobaby.com under Customer Service/Recall Information. Consumers also can write to Customer Affairs, Graco Children's Products, Inc., Box 100, Elverson, PA 19520. Consumers should have the highchair in front of them when they call Graco.

- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml01/01088.html>

Release Number: 01-087 Simmons Juvenile Products, of New London, Wis., is voluntarily recalling more than 68,600 cribs for repair. Simmons is offering a free repair kit, which includes replacement brackets and instructions. The repair can be made easily in the home. Most of the recalled Simmons cribs were made in 1998. Those sold at Sears were made in 1998, 1999 and 2000. Only "98" cribs of all models are recalled, except for Sears cribs. For Sears cribs (which are model numbers 025260 and 065060), the years "98" "99" and "00" are recalled because the problem bracket hooks were used all three years. The brackets on all other Simmons cribs except for Sears changed to different type attachments after 1998. The cribs were sold under the name "Little Folks". Simmons and the two-digit year of manufacture are written on a label affixed to the crib's headboard. The year is the two-digit number following the model number. "Little Folks" is on another label affixed to the headboard. The cribs are constructed of maple or ash, and are painted or stained in more than a dozen different colors, including natural, golden and white. "Simmons" is written on the top rail. Simmons will help consumers identify if their crib is recalled. Discount, mass merchandise, juvenile product and department stores, including Sears, sold the cribs nationwide from January 1998 through December 2000 for between \$200 and \$600.

Problem: Bracket hooks that are used to position the height of the mattress can break, causing the mattress to collapse. Babies can become trapped and suffocate when this happens.

What to do: Consumers should stop using these recalled cribs immediately and contact Simmons to receive free replacement brackets by overnight mail. Consumers can contact Simmons anytime at (800) 421-2951 or at www.simmonsjp.com/recall.cfm

- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml01/01087.html>

Release Number: 01-086 IMT Accessories, of New York, N.Y., is recalling about 70,000 Barbie™ Sunglasses. The recalled sunglasses have a pink tint to the eyeglasses, have floating glitter in the temple of the sunglasses, say "Barbie™" and "Mattel®" on the left side of the earpiece, and say "China" on the right side. The sunglasses, manufactured under license with Mattel®, were sold nationwide in Target, Walgreen's and Bradlee's, from June 1999 through August 2000 for about \$6.

Problem: The frames of the sunglasses can break, allowing the petroleum distillate and floating glitter to leak out. Petroleum distillates could be harmful to children's eyes and skin and could be fatal if ingested.

What to do: Consumers should stop children from wearing the sunglasses immediately. Return the sunglasses to the store where purchased for a full refund. Consumers can call IMT Accessories toll-free at (800) 868-7870 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. EST Monday through Friday.

- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml01/01086.html>

Release Number: 01-081 Chick-fil-A Inc., of Atlanta, Ga., is recalling about 3.8 million "Planet Discovery" Kid's Meal toys. The toys were distributed at 800 Chick-fil-A restaurants nationwide during January 2001 and during January 1999. The "Planet Discovery" toys are plastic disks (about 2 to 3 inches in diameter) with a suction cup (about 1.5 inch in diameter) on the back. The toys depict all of the planets plus the moon and the sun. Each toy comes in a plastic bag labeled "Planets: Collect Them All!" A paragraph on the bag also says: "Parents: This toy has been safety- tested for children of all ages." The planet toy itself says "Chick- fil-A Inc. 1999," "1998 Namkung Promotions Inc.," and "China."

Problem: The suction cup on the toy can come off, presenting a choking hazard to young children.

What to do: Parents should immediately take away the toy from young children. Throw away the toy or return the planet toys to a Chick-fil-A restaurant for a free replacement premium or a

small Icedream®. For questions about this recall, contact Chick-fil-A toll-free at (866) 736-5914.

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<http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtm01/01081.html>

Release Number: 01-080 Supreme Toys (H.K) Ltd., of Hong Kong, is recalling about 290,000 toy vehicles. The recalled vehicles are airplanes, cars, dump trucks, trains and fire engines sold under the PLAYGO brand name. They are made of multicolored plastic with red, blue, green and yellow parts. Each vehicle has a battery-operated, detachable remote control with a 40-inch cord. Enclosed in the cab of each vehicle are small multicolor balls about 1/4 inch in diameter. A label on the vehicles and the remote reads "PLAYGO." The words, "PLAYGO LTD (HONG KONG) MADE IN CHINA" are imprinted on the bottom of each toy. Drug, grocery, variety stores, and discount department stores, including Wal-Mart, sold these toys from June 1995 through December 1998 for about \$5.

Problem: Small parts can break off of the toy vehicles, posing a choking hazard to young children.

What to do: Consumers should take these toy vehicles away from children immediately. Consumers should cut the remote control cord off the toy, discard the vehicle, and mail just the cord to Supreme at 8348 C, Olive Road, St. Louis, MO 63132 for a \$5 refund plus the cost of postage. For more information, call Supreme Toys toll free at (800) 567-1774 Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. CT.

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<http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtm01/01080.html>

Release Number: 01-078 The National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF), of Newtown, Conn., is voluntarily recalling about 400,000 gun locks for replacement. The locks resemble a bicycle cable lock and have a red cable with a black padlock. Red vinyl bands around the top and bottom of the locks read, "PROJECT" and "HOMESAFE." "MADE IN CHINA" and "30mm" are imprinted on the bottom of the locks. The gun locks were distributed in clear plastic cylinders with Project HomeSafe literature. The gun locks were distributed nationwide by NSSF as part of its Project HomeSafe Campaign for safe firearm

storage. Law enforcement agencies distributed the gun locks free of charge from September 1999 through October 2000.

Problem: Under certain conditions, these locks can open without the use of a key. This can give unauthorized access to a firearm.

What to do: Recipients of the Project HomeSafe gun locks should call (800) 726-6444 anytime to receive a free replacement gun lock. Until the replacement gun lock is received, keep the original Project HomeSafe lock installed on the firearm. Consumers are reminded to never put a gun lock on a loaded gun, and to take extra precautions to make sure the gun is secure to keep kids safe.

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<http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtm01/01078.html>

Release Number: 01-079 Pottery Barn Kids, of San Francisco, Calif., is voluntarily recalling about 2,900 wooden dog pull toys. The wooden dog pull toy is about 10 inches long and about 5 inches high. The dog's legs are attached to wooden wheels with small pegs. A black string with a large wooden ball on the end is connected to the front of the toy. There is no writing on the toy. The Pottery Barn Kids store in Corte Madera, Calif., and Pottery Barn Outlet stores in Virginia, Texas, Georgia, Tennessee and Ohio sold these pull toys from June 2000 through January 2001 for about \$6.

Problem: Wooden pegs can come off of these pull toys, posing a choking hazard to young children.

What to do: Consumers should take these pull toys away from young children immediately, and return them to the store where purchased for a refund. For more information, call Pottery Barn Kids at (866) 428-6467 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. PT Monday through Saturday.

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<http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtm01/01079.html>

Release Number: 01-076 Kolcraft® Enterprises, Inc., of Chicago, Ill., is voluntarily recalling about 3,356 Tot Rider walkers. The recalled walker was manufactured from February 2000 through August 2000, and has a model number of 14302. The model number and manufacturing date can be found on the base of

the walker. "Tot Rider®," "Music Center," and "Kolcraft®" appear on the front of the walker. The music center, which is removable, has a steering wheel, gear shift, buttons, and a speaker which plays music. Mass merchandise and juvenile products stores nationwide sold these walkers from February 2000 to January 2001 for between \$40 and \$50. Kolcraft® Tot Riders with model number 14303 are not recalled.

Problem: The cover on the walker's removable music center can break off, allowing small parts to fall from the product, creating a potential choking hazard to young children.

What to do: Consumers should remove the music center and call Kolcraft to receive a free replacement tray. Consumers can contact Kolcraft toll-free at (800) 453-7673 between 8 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. ET Monday through Friday.

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